

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 64th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on February 24, 2015 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Dave Hagstrom (R)
Rep. Roy Hollandsworth (R)
Rep. Kenneth Holmlund (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy (D)
Rep. Robert (Bob) Mehlhoff (D)
Rep. Mitch Tropila (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Pat Noonan, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Ryan Osmundson, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Ron Ehli (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Katya Grover, Committee Secretary
Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 377, 2/23/2015

00:00:01 Chair Ballance
00:01:36 Rep. Ehli arrived.

HEARING ON HB 377

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:40 Rep. Debra Lamm (R), HD 60, opened the hearing on HB 377, Revise laws related to K-12 accreditation standards.

00:06:17 Rep. Noonan arrived.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:07:34 Tim Ravndal, Broadwater County
00:08:52 Rep. Peppers arrived.

Opponents' Testimony:

00:08:55 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
00:12:58 Peter Donovan, Executive Director, Board of Public Education (BPE)
00:14:24 Tammy Elser, self

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00:16:59 Bob Vogel, Montana School Boards Association (MSBA)
00:18:26 Kirk Miller, Executive Director, School Administrators of Montana (SAM)
00:21:10 Marco Ferro, Director, Montana Education Association-Montana Federation of Teachers (MEA-MFT)
00:21:56 Jim Smith, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)
00:22:32 Dianne Burke, Executive Director, Montana Quality Education Coalition (MQEC)

Informational Testimony:

00:23:35 B J Granbery, Title I Director, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:24:25 Rep. McCarthy
00:25:05 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
00:25:26 Rep. McCarthy
00:26:19 Rep. Lamm
00:29:05 Chair Ballance
00:29:47 Rep. Tropila
00:30:16 B J Granbery, OPI
00:31:24 Rep. Tropila
00:31:44 B J Granbery, OPI
00:32:13 Rep. Tropila
00:32:50 Peter Donovan, BPE
00:32:55 Rep. Osmundson arrived.
00:33:24 Rep. Tropila
00:34:24 Rep. Lamm
00:35:25 Rep. Mehlhoff
00:36:25 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
00:37:48 Rep. Mehlhoff

00:38:03 Rep. Ellis
00:38:45 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
00:39:24 Rep. Peppers
00:40:00 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
00:41:02 Rep. Peppers
00:41:10 Chair Ballance
00:41:21 Rep. Dudik
00:41:56 Denise Juneau, Superintendent, OPI
00:42:05 Madalyn Quinlan, Chief of Staff, Office of Public Instruction (OPI)
00:43:31 Chair Ballance

Closing by Sponsor:

00:43:40 Rep. Lamm

00:45:50 Rep. Dudik
00:46:04 Chair Ballance
00:46:18 Rep. Lamm

ADJOURNMENT

00:46:49 Adjournment

Katya Grover, Secretary

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